

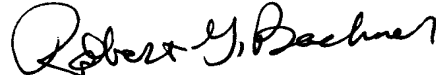
REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 12 and 13 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 5-11 and 14-25 are canceled without prejudice to, or disclaimer of, the subject matter recited in those claims. Reconsideration of the application based on the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Applicant notes with appreciation the allowance of claims 1-3, 12 and 13. The Office Action asserts that the presence of the withdrawn claims prevents this application from being allowed. Applicant submits that based on the above amendments that the application is in condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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